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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Executive Office

Columbia

EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina has lost its great leader and statesman, James F. Byrnes; and

WHEREAS, the death of Governor Byrnes brings to an end one of the most distinguished careers this nation has ever known; and

WHEREAS, Governor Byrnes reflected great credit upon the State of South Carolina and its people, serving in offices of great honor at both the state and national level; and

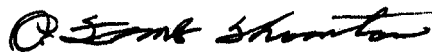
WHEREAS, few native South Carolinians have ever risen to greater prominence in the world, and few citizens have ever served their fellow man with more dedication, courage and nobility;

NOW, THEREFORE, I do hereby declare that Wednesday, April 12, the day of Governor Byrnes' funeral, shall be an official day of mourning in the State of South Carolina, and

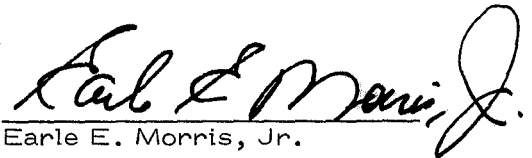
I DO FURTHER DECLARE that all flags on state buildings shall be flown at half-staff until the day following the funeral as a symbol of the love, respect and honor which the people of South Carolina held for their distinguished citizen, James F. Byrnes.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina, at Columbia, South Carolina, this ninth day of April, 1972.

Attest:



O. Frank Thornton
Secretary of the State
of South Carolina



Earle E. Morris, Jr.
Lieutenant Governor of the
State of South Carolina